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JENNIE BAXTER: JOURNALIST

BY ROBERT BARR.

V.—The Prime Minister's Indiscretion.

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As Jennie rattled away from the office of Mr. Cadleary Taylor there arose in her mind some agitation as to what the detective would think of her sudden flight. She was convinced that, up to the moment of leaving him so abruptly, he had not the slightest suspicion that she herself, to whom he was then talking, was the person she had been searching for up and down Europe. What must he think of one who, while speaking with him, suddenly, without a word of leave taking, disappeared as if the earth had opened and swallowed her, and all because the handle of the door to the inner room had turned? Then the excuse she had given for not wishing to meet Lord Donal must have struck him as ridiculously inadequate. When she reached her desk and reflected with more calmness over the situation, she found no cause to censure herself for her hasty departure. Although she had acted on sudden impulse, she saw the road lay before nothing else to do. Another moment and she would have been face to face with Lord Donal himself.

Next day brought a note from the detective which somewhat reassured her. He apologized for having made the appointment without her permission and explained that Lord Donal's unexpected arrival in London and his stubborn unbelief that it had been the princess herself whom he met at the ball seemingly left the detective no alternative but to call on the person who had so persistently advanced the theory, to explain it to the one most intimately concerned. If had not occurred to him at the time to think that Miss Baxter might object to meet Lord Donal, who was an entire stranger to her, but now he saw where he was wrong, etc. This note did much to convince Jennie that, after all, the detective had not seen the clews which appeared to be spread so plainly before his eyes. Cadbury Taylor, however, said nothing about the search being ended, and a few days later Jennie received a disquieting letter from the Princess von Steinheimer.

"My dear Jennie," her highness wrote, "I am sure the detectives are after you, and so I thought it best to send you a word of warning. Of course it is only surmise on my part, but for days there has been a woman hovering about the castle, trying to get information from my servants. My maid came directly to me and told me what she knew. The woman detective had spoken to her. This inquisitive person, who had come from Paris, wished particularly to know whether I had been seen about the castle during the week in which the Duchess of Chiselhurst's ball took place, and so this leads me to suppose that some one is making inquiries for you. It must be either Lord Donal Stirling or the Duke of Chiselhurst, but I rather think it is the former. I have written an indignant letter to Lord Donal, accusing him of having caused detectives to haunt the castle. I have not yet received a reply, but Lord Donal is a truthful person, and in a day or two I expect to find out whether or not he has a hand in this business. Meanwhile, Jennie, be on your guard, and I will write you again as soon as I have something further to tell."

The reading of this letter greatly increased Jennie's fears, for she felt assured that, stupid as the men undoubtedly were, they verged so closely on the brink of discovery that they were almost certain to stumble upon the truth if the investigation were continued. She wrote a hurried note to the princess, imploring her to be cautious and not inadvertently give any clew that would lead to her discovery. Her letter evidently crossed one from the princess herself. Lord Donal had confessed, said the letter, and promised never more to do it again. "He says that before my letter was received he had stopped the detectives, who were doing no good and apparently only annoying innocent people. He says the search is ended, as far as the detective is concerned, and that I need fear no more intrusions from inquiry agents, male or female. He apologized very handsomely, but says he has not given up hopes of finding the lady who disappeared. And now, Jennie, I hope that you will admit my cleverness. You see that I only had a word or two from my maid as a clew, but I unraveled the whole plot and found out who was the instigator of it. So I think I wouldn't make a bad detective myself. I am tremendously interested in episodes like this. I believe if I had known nothing of the impersonation and if the case had been put in my hands I should have discovered you long ago. Can't you think of some way in which my undoubted talent for research may be made use of? I really don't know how much I envy you in your newspaper office, always with some mystery on hand to solve. It must be like being the editor of a puzzle department. I wish you would let me help you next time you have something important to do. Will you promise?"

"When you write again, please send your letter to Vienna, as we are going into residence there, my husband having been unexpectedly called to the capital. He holds an important position in the government, as perhaps you remember."

Jennie was delighted to know that all inquiry had ceased, and she wrote a long letter of gratitude to the princess. She concluded her epistle by saying: "It is perfectly absurd of you to have one who has to work as hard as I. You are the person to be envied. It is not all beer and skittles in a newspaper office, whilever it is a good thing, for I don't like beer, and I don't know what skittles is—or are. But I promise you that the next time I have an interesting case on hand I shall write and give you full particulars, and I am sure that together we shall be invincible."

But one trouble leaves merely to give place to another in this life. Jennie was disturbed to notice that Mr. Hardwick was becoming more and more confidential with her. He sat down by her desk whenever there was a reasonable excuse for doing so, and he consulted her on matters important and on matters trivial. An advance of salary came to her, and she knew it was through his influence with the board of directors. Although Mr. Hardwick was sharp and decisive in business matters, he proved an awkward man where his affections were concerned, and he often came and sat by the girl's desk, evidently wishing to say something and yet quite as evidently having nothing to say, and thus the situation became embarrassing. Jennie was a practical girl and had made considerable progress in her studies of human nature, and she saw that a crisis was approaching in the affairs of the office. Mr. Hardwick was a man of considerable ability, and he was a man of high principles, but this man still holds his office, and there has been no other explanation nor apology for his conduct or outburst. I am convinced that there is something behind all this, a wheel within a wheel, of some sort, but of the day after the speech there came a notice from Vienna that an attempt had been made on the life of the Austrian premier by the explosion of a dynamite bomb, and that the would-be assassin had taken his own life instead of waiting for the executioner. Jennie was startled when she read this, for it was the very man she had met at the ball that night.

"Did you think to-night," went on the editor, "that the premier is to receive a severe blow in connection with Austria's foreign complications? Still, if that were the case, a new cabinet would undoubtedly be formed after this informal resignation of the premier

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THE Nicaragua canal bill has been laid aside to be taken up next December.

THE Democratic State convention of New York endorsed Bryan but did not affirm the Chicago platform.

THE situation in China is growing worse. The Chinese government is making no effort to suppress the "Boxers," and probably war will ensue.

THE United States Senate confirmed the nomination of John R. Hazel as United States district judge for the Western district of New York on Tuesday.

ALTGELD says the Chicago platform is the "breath of Jefferson." In all history there is nothing going to show that Jefferson's breath was as bad as that.—Lawrence (Kan.) Journal.

THE Philadelphia Republican national convention can well afford to endorse the platform of 1896. Every promise in that platform has been fulfilled and the voters are aware of the present prosperity.

OREGON went Republican on Tuesday last by about 3,000 plurality. Both branches of the legislature will be controlled by the Republicans and Republican Supreme Court judge and Congressmen were elected.

IT is now claimed that the Insurgents and Democrats will fuse on the legislative ticket as well as on the Congressional. Every honest Republican will vote to keep this commonwealth out of the hands of the Democrats.

THE Senatorial conference met at Couders last night. No choice was made, but a resolution was adopted that the successful candidate would support the caucus nominee for United States Senator. The conferees meet at Wellsboro, Aug. 8.

THE formal occupation of Pretoria by the British occurred on Tuesday. No opposition was offered, the entire Boer army retiring toward Middleburg. Although the Transvaal capital has been taken the Federal army remains practically undiminished.

HAVING only one pauper within its limits, Wichita county, Kan., promptly made him superintendent of the poor with a salary of $104 a year and nothing to do but to look after himself. Here was a clear case of the office seeking the man. And this in "poverty stricken" Kansas.—John Smith in Buffalo Express.

A FEW days ago a man chase was held in Virginia to test the ability of some trained bloodhounds. Two men, one white and the other colored, were started across country and a pack of bloodhounds put on the trail. The men were treed and escaped injury from the man hunters. This is to become great sport in the South. On the same day members of a coursing club were arrested for chasing rabbits with hounds.

DEMOCRATS who are so eager to show their hostility to Great Britain by trying to involve the United States in a war with that country on account of the Boers in South Africa, are at the same time doing their utmost to secure the passage of an act of Congress that would permit British-built ships to be registered as American. Democratic preaching is different from Democratic practice.—Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

IN an alleged answer to our article "Republicans Not Stool Pigeons" of last week, Emma C. King, in the Bradford Sunday Herald, says: "Joe Sibley's nomination is not the honest voice of the people, but was brought about by 'party click.'" Now this "party click" seems to be composed of 2,503 Republican voters of McKean county or nearly two-thirds of the voters who voted at the primaries this spring. Why should not such a "party click" have control of the party nominations in this county.

ERE long we may expect to see glaring headlines in the insurgent newspapers reading something like-unto this: "Potter County's Entire Delegation Bolts the Caucus!" It is reported that the state leaders have been informed that the one lone Assemblyman from Potter county will bolt the caucus if that county's candidate, W. W. Crittenden, is not accorded the nomination for Senator in the 25th district. This recalls the terrible threat of the redoubtable "Billy" Mason to forsake the Republican party if it persisted in following a course other than the one prescribed by himself. Such tremendous powers must be propitiated that the awful consequence of their deflection may be averted.

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, June 4, 1900.

All aboard for adjournment! Congress has completed its work except fag ends consisting of disagreements between House and Senate on the several items in two appropriation bills which are now in course of settlement, and adjournment this week is a certainty, although the Senate has not yet adopted the resolution, which provides for adjournment Wednesday. While there are several measures enacted upon which many Republicans would like to have seen passed at this session, taken as a whole, the work of the session has been satisfactory to the Republicans, and the record made is one upon which they will be proud to stand during the coming campaign.

The Senate by unanimous consent agreed that the Nicaragua Canal bill should be taken up December 10, and remain the unfinished business until disposed of. That shows how far out of the way are those who have been saying that the Republican leaders in the Senate did not intend to allow that bill to pass. The bill would have been passed before adjournment, if it could have been done without an extended debate which would have dragged the session into midsummer. It was discovered sometime ago that there was an agreement among Democratic Senators opposed to the Nicaragua canal, who are more numerous than is generally known, to prolong the session indefinitely, if an attempt was made to bring the bill to a vote. That and other good reasons made the Republicans willing to allow the bill to go over.

If the Democratic party had the slightest regard for consistency it would, after the Democratic members of the House defeated the joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment giving Congress power to regulate trusts, forever keep mum on the subject of trusts. The Republicans did not have votes enough to adopt the resolution, two thirds being required for that class of legislation, and only five Democrats had the nerve to defy their party caucus and vote with the Republicans for the resolution, which left the vote 38 short of the requisite two-thirds. Representative Littlefield, of Maine, made another great speech on this question, in which he scored the Democratic party for the record of its leaders, including Mr. Bryan, on trusts and trust legislation, closing with these words: "We are ready to go to the people in November and to submit to their candid common sense judgment whether the Democratic party that has proved itself incompetent to deal with this question, shall be trusted, or the Republican party. If the people of this country shall register their verdict in accordance with the proposition that 'you can fool some of the people all of the time and all of the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all the people all of the time,' then when the sun rises upon the morning that sees William McKinley's renomination in Philadelphia, it will be as the sun of Austerlitz, illumined by the honor of the Republican party." Every time a Democratic demagogue howls against trusts he should be confronted with the vote on this resolution, the most practical anti-trust legislation that has been before Congress, and asked why the Democrats defeated it.

In the Equity branch of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, Justice Barnard imposed a fine of $100 and costs upon Mr. E. G. Siggers, for contempt, in failing to obey an order of court forbidding him to advertise himself as successor to or in any way connected with C. A. Snow & Co., patent lawyers, of Washington, D. C.

Senator Hanna surprised both his enemies and his friends when he jumped into a running debate on the Naval Appropriation bill and tackled Senators Wellington, Tillman, Allen, Pettigrew and Teller, and got the best of each of them, and proved that he could take care of himself in that most dangerous of all Senatorial fights, a running debate.

The Senate added an amendment to the Military Academy Appropriation bill that will make Gen Miles a lieutenant general, and Gen. Corbin a major general, if agreed to by the House and it probably will be.

In leaving the settlement of the Senatorial dispute to the voters of Montana, who will this year elect the legislature, which will next January meet to fill the seat now claimed by Mr. Clark and Mr. Maginnis, which is the practical effect of the postponement of consideration of the credentials of the claimants by the Senate committee on elections, the Senators took the easiest way out of a mess.

Knowing that the Littlefield bill, amending the Sherman anti trust law would be passed by the Republicans of the House, regardless of which way they voted, all of the Democrats, probably hoping to square themselves for defeating the anti trust constitutional amendment resolution, voted with the Republicans for the bill.

The Congressional Question.

Franklin Citizen-Press.

The Democrats of Venango county do not take very kindly to the idea of endorsing Hon. Lewis Emery of Bradford for Congress, and there is general talk that a straight Democrat would be in the field for the office. That is about what will happen, but even if there were two dozen candidates the majority would vote for a return to Congress of Hon. J. C. Sibley whose strength with the people, regardless of political lines, is generally recognized. We doubt if there has ever been a member of Congress from this district who has accomplished as much for the residents here as Mr. Sibley. In the Pension department, the postal department, the Agricultural department and in every branch of public service Congressman Sibley has been indefatigable in the discharge of the burdensome duties put upon him by the people. It is safe to say that Mr. Sibley spends four times the amount of his salary in looking after the interests of his constituents regardless of party, race or color. In a recent conversation President McKinley paid a high tribute to our Congressman and closed his complimentary reference to Mr. Sibley with the statement that he believed he was the hardest working member in Congress.

There are some Republicans who oppose Mr. Sibley on the ground that two years ago he was supported by the Democracy. But at the meeting of Congress, recognizing that the policy of the administration in reference to the Philippines, and other new national issues, was dictated by the broadest patriotism, for the honor and credit of the nation, he boldly announced his determination to support President McKinley and the Republican party in the accomplishment of the purposes in view. New issues bring new alignments of voters in relation thereto, and if patriotic citizens who have hitherto acted with the opposition change to the support of Republican principles and policies because they believe them to be right they should be welcomed to our ranks. Ulan, Grant, Logan, Stanton, Sickles and thousands of Democrats joined the Republicans on the great burning issues of the war for the Union and were honored and loved by the Republican party of the nation. Mr. Sibley has assumed a similar patriotic position at the present time on the great issues involved in the coming campaign, and because of his ability and energy has been nominated by the party in this district for Congress, and every Republican should manifest his devotion to the principles of the party by giving him a hearty and enthusiastic support.

The election of President McKinley to succeed himself seems at this time assured. The great effort of the opposition, of all shades of opinion, is being directed to elect a majority of the next House of Representatives in order to block, or nullify, the efforts of the administration to successfully inaugurate and carry out the policy of the Republican party as declared. A Republican president would be powerless with Congress controlled by the opposition. This statement is so manifestly true that it needs no argument. It demonstrates also that the great effort of the Republican party should be to elect a majority of the next Congress, and the Republicans of this district can aid in this cause by voting for Hon. J. C. Sibley. Don't forget it and don't be deceived by side issues and appeals, made on personal grounds for the accomplishment of selfish purposes, made to influence your action.

Smoking Out the Democrats.

Philadelphia Press.

The Republican majority of the House is engaged this week in the useful task of showing up the hollow insincerity and flagitious demagoguery of the Democratic crusade on trusts. Mr. Bryan began it. Democratic newspapers took it up. With "imperialism" it was once expected to divide the honors of the campaign. By the end of this week Democratic votes in the House against the regulation of trusts by law and by constitutional amendments promise to have left very little of the "trust issue" for working Democratic campaign use in 1900.

Neither the pending constitutional amendment nor the new anti trust law may be passed this session, but they have done their full good work in exposing to the entire country the character and quality of Democratic opposition to trusts. Such opposition is of two kinds. A just fear that these great aggregations may tax the community by advancing prices to secure profits is the basis of one objection to trusts. Such objectors desire to see trusts regulated. They do not desire the freedom of corporate organizations curtailed. Corporations, such men see, are necessary. As the country grows corporations must grow in number and in size. Regulation for trusts is necessary. Assaults on capital are vicious.

But the second order and sort of objectors to trusts oppose them as part of the general jealousy of wealth, capital and trusts. As the Puritans objected to bear-baiting not because it hurt the bear but because it gave pleasure to the spectators, so these men object to trusts not because they are liable to tax the community but because through them men are liable to get rich. It is not because the trusts put up prices but because they increase profits, not because they are illegal combinations, but because they stand for great masses of capital, that these men attack them. Like Mr. Bryan himself, these men appeal to the idle as against the industrious, to the thriftless against the thrifty, to the have nots against the haves. These objectors stand for all that the Chicago platform spoke of menace and assault on the investments and the wealth of the land, by whomsoever held, savings bank book or bank deposit book.

These objectors desire no regulation. They are playing the demagogue's game. They are using the trust issue as a stalking horse, for all the jealousy and envy, for all the hatred of capital, for all the desire for a new deal, for cheap money and for dishonored contracts which is summed up in Bryanism. These men oppose any effective regulations of trusts and instead they talk big of destroying trusts. Like Representative Lentz of Ohio, yesterday in the House, they thunder in the index of what a Democratic administration would do and forget four years of Cleveland, in which no effective action was taken against a trust.

The votes and proceedings in the House have drawn this difference and distinction sharp and clear. The Republicans have recorded their votes for effective regulation of trusts. The Democrats have voted against this regulation. All the approaching campaign is going to be top short a time in which to explain that Democratic record to the satisfaction of voters.

EVERYBODY knows who will be President of the United States for the next four years, but who is to be the Vice President?

Musical College.

The summer term of the Musical College, at Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa., will begin on Monday, July 23, a term of six weeks for $18, including board and tuition. As all schools have vacation at this time, it will give a good opportunity for our public school teachers and school children to attend this term. For catalogue address, Henry B. Meyer.

If troubled with rheumatism give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises more than the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, scratches, chapped hands and chafed feet, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price 25 and 50 cts. L. K. Hogarth & Co., druggists.

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Ice cream in bricks at Brasted's. Telephone orders promptly filled.

Prof. Coles for June.

The month of June may prove a very peculiar and exciting month, as all the planets except Neptune and Mars will be with the Earth on the same side of the Sun, and as Earth will be in the "House of Sickness" she will undoubtedly receive great affliction from the other planets, and we may witness some unusual disturbances, both on land and sea, such as shipwrecks, railroad accidents, mine caves, destructive conflagrations, riots, strikes, panics, murders, diseases, epidemics, phenomenal heat, unseasonable cold resulting in frost and snow in some localities—seismic disturbances, tornadoes, and hot-shot thunder bolts! Great men and rulers will be in danger of bodily harm. The deadly influence of the late eclipse will be plainly observable all along the "line," and yet the month of June, although completely surrounded with the "Low-Ebb" vital forces, will prove a prosperous one for America; and in the main be a delightful month, filled with the delicious blossoms of May, and the beautiful natural "roses of June."

THE STORMS AND SIGNS.

So many planets will be bunched together this month and all on the same side of the sun, it is hard to tell just what will happen to Old Mother Earth, but we believe that this strange meeting will cause the weather to play many new tricks, and give us all a surprise. There will be some beautiful sunset scenes and strange appearing snubows. The greatest danger from storm periods will be between the 1st and 5th, the 7th and 10th, the 12th and 15th, the 17th and 22d, and 24th and 29th. As a Mercury period is central on the 24th, many localities will be visited with sudden downpourings of rain, for the week following. The Western and the Southern states will be distressed by floods, and states will receive affliction by electrical storms, resulting in floods and hurricanes. The Earth will be in position to become over charged with electricity from the other planets and this surplus electricity will undoubtedly cause numerous hurricanes and cyclones in all parts of the world.

VALUABLE INFORMATION.

Persons having surgical operations performed on or within five days of July 1st, seldom recover. The most fortunate days of the current month for mankind in general will be the 3d and 8th. Females born on the following days in June—10th, 11th, 15th, 22d or 25th—even born of poor parents possess some superior qualities and will be admired by their superiors, thereby having chances to rise above the sphere of their birth. It has been proven by experience and observation that every woman undergoes some important event in her thirty-first year, and man in his forty-second year. It may be good or it may be evil, therefore all should be cautious at this time. The best days to perform surgical operations during the current month will be the 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 23d or 24th. The best days to fish will be the 9th, 14th, 19th and 28th, and the next best days will be the 1st, 5th, 8th, 12th, 15th, 18th, 20th, 22d or 27th. Always bleed the fish as soon as they are taken from the water as the blood is very poisonous to all persons born in the same Sign in which the fish are caught.

WORDS OF WARNING.

The "Potato Louse" will do great damage this summer, and unless potatoes are planted at High Flood time the crop will prove a failure. The "chinch bugs" will do great damage to grain. The "army worms" will make their appearance. A new vegetable microbe will also make its appearance and do much damage. The "tent caterpillar" will do untold damage, unless immediate action is taken to burn them out. An iron bowl containing a few burning peanuts, raised to their nests by the aid of a pole, will cremate them almost instantaneously and will not injure the tree unless the flame is applied too long. Speculators must be careful how they invest their money this month, as only those who were born under the planet Jupiter and "ruled" by the planet Earth will stand much of a chance. Do not kill any pork, beef, mutton or fowls on the 4th, 5th, 11th, 16th, 29th or 30th. Gather all your berries at High Flood time if you want them to save well. Next month will be the time to destroy noxious weeds. For the proper days to destroy weeds, plant seeds, set hens, prune, transplant and harvest, and all such information, send ten cents to Prof. C. Coles, Kingston, Penna., and get a copy of his Storms and Signs.

PROF. C. COLES, Editor
Kingston, Pa., U. S. A., May 15, 1900.

For Sale.

I offer for sale my store and stock of general merchandise, at Clermont, Pa., cheap for cash. This is an opportunity for the right person. Reason for sell is ill health. LAWRENCE BAYER,
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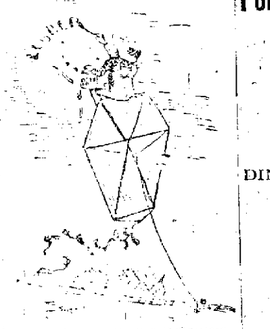

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Golden oak china closet and sideboards combined, $40. Quartered oak cane seat dining chairs $2.25 special. Golden oak dining table, turned legs polish top, special, $8. Full line leather seat rockers, tables $5 to $25, sideboards $15 to $25 each, extension tables. Best quality all brass beds $30 and $36. White enamel beds, brass trimmed $4.50. Solid oak suits $25 to $50, quite many $30 and $40. Odd dressers, wash stands, dressing tables, chiffoniers, springs, mattresses, pillows, etc. Our line of parlor furniture is new and modern, fine one odd pieces, rockers, settees, Davenports, couches, Morris chairs, etc. Baby carriages and go carts at popular prices.

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The largest line of pretty styles in the city at lowest prices. Large line Oriental velvets in designs suitable for large rugs library, hall and parlor carpets. Remember we sew, pack and deliver all goods free.

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Don't miss the Grand [illegible] Street Parade at 10 o'clock on the morning of the day of Exhibition.

Secure your Reserved Seats at the Show Grounds Immediately after the Parade.

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We sell good lawn mowers for less than any other store around here. And we alone sell the Pennsylvanias—the best ever made.

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We show fifty styles of baby cabs with many new features. Not a price has advanced over last season, though cost has advanced enormously.

Prices run from $6.50 up.

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Large galvanized washtubs 75c. 10 qt. galv. sprinklers 5oc.

Ladies' black brilliantine cape, good grade brocaded brilliantine, entire garment edged with ruffle 2½ inch chantilly lace, 2 bows & streamers of 1½ black sateen ribbons at neck, ruffle of same & 2½ inch black lac around entire garment 7 inches from bottom, making double cape effect, all ruffles and edges trim'd with 2 inch Black brading of very pretty design, lined with black silk alim. All we ask for this $3.00 cape is $1.75—beat it if you can.

Our 98c wrappers R beauties. Excellent Grade Percale in white floral designs, shirt full with 2-inch hem, strapped shirred back, separate waist lining, belt straps, 4½ inch ruffle cape effect over shoulders extending ¼ way across bust, and yoke in back, ½ inch fancy novelty braid across yokes, over shoulder, on collar, strap in back, belt straps & cuffs, Malvira (fine & soft) of elegant shadings, trimmings of first order; style guaranteed. A regular $1.50 dress for 98c.

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This year's dressy Summer girl must carry a parasol, that's what the fashion fixers say, and of course, this store is ready to meet the special fancies of the most exacting women.

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SMETHPORT, THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1900.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

-Circus day, June 14.

-Austin is to have a paper mill.

-Do not forget the circus next Thurs-

-Rhoda Royal Shows one week from sy.

-Chas. Lemmler's infant boy is seri-dy ill.

-J. Colegrove has laid a new walk in t of his residence on Main street.

-St. Marys has extended its borough ts. That town must be growing.

-The ad of Bell Bros., Olean, is al-s interesting. Read it this week.

-New, fresh goods is the topic which Man Racket discusses this week ad.

-Patrick McDonald, an aged resident Eldred township, died on Tuesday of week.

-In another column will be found the of the Royal Rhoda Shows. Read it attend.

-Lumber is on the ground for new ions at Ormsby and McKean's on the hequa Route.

-The commencement exercises of the ss of 1900 will be held at the Baptist rch this evening.

-It has been discovered that crude oil nkled on the streets to lay the dust troys bicycle tires.

-Pipe for Smethport Water Co. has ved here over the Kushequa Route re are 250 tons of it.

-Della Fox, the well-known actress, sane and has been placed in an asy-m on application of her brother.

-Miss Evelyn Stull of Farmers Valley o has been in the Kane Summit hos-l for some time is improving rapidly.

-Kahle Bros. of Coudersport received contract last Monday for putting in new water line for the Smethport ter Co.

-Clarence Raymond had three of his ers severely cut last Monday while idling glass. Dr. Chadwick dressed wounds.

-The borough lockup is now open to sts and Officer Bronk will conduct ary and boisterous wayfarers to this ular resort.

-We have received an invitation to present at the commencement exer-s of Lehigh University, South Beth-em, Pa., June 17-20, 1900.

-The Potter Enterprise is 26 years and is thriving. The Enterprise is e of the best country newspapers pub-hed in this part of the state.

—The Metropolitan Stock Co., which osed a four-night engagement here Saturday, is composed of first class art-ts and gave good satisfaction here.

—Twenty-two narrow gauge car loads f ties are being transferred at White House for use on the Shawmut line be-ween Bolivar and Olean.—Ceres Mail.

—A smooth-tongued gentleman has een swindling Tioga county housewives y selling them "Bermuda lily bulbs" from these bulbs large, healthy onions row.

—Two Italians were severely injured y being struck by a B., R. & P. train near Mt. Jewett on Monday. They were rack hands and did not hear the ap-ng train.

—The salary of Postmaster J. C. Gal-up has been increased $100 for the com-ng year. His salary will now be $1,600 er year. This shows a growth for Smethport.

—The U. S. Agricultural Department claims that the seventeen-year locusts will appear this month. It will be well for farmers and fruit growers to watch for this pest and take steps to exterm-inate it before the damage is done.

—The Olean street fair to be held next week will be a grand affair and large crowds from the vicinity of Olean will be in attendance. Friday, June 15, is Pennsylvania day.

—F. G. Lindholm & Co. have a new ad this week which will be of interest to all readers. Their goods are always up-to-date and the wants of their customers are carefully considered.

—The school that gives inspiration for a higher life and nobler effort, as well as for acquiring knowledge and skill is a blessing to its students. Such a school is the Clarion State Normal.

—We learn from the Port Allegany Press that Chet Kling worked one of his practical jokes last week and as a result Bro. Laymon was "stuck for the drinks." "Pinky" had better be careful or the wrath of the press will be upon him.

—List of letters remaining in the post-office at Smethport, for the week ending June 2, 1900: J. Everett, Oskar Gustaison (foreign), Florence Gillett, P. A. Huffman, S. Hick, Mrs. Alfred Harklas, D. A. Hill, Mrs. Will Klinger, B. F. Miles, A. F. Yann.

—Murderer Wm. Hummel was hanged in Williamsport Tuesday morning, for the killing of his wife and three children last November. He sold his body, before his death, to a museum manager and it will be exhibited to the curious public at the usual freak prices.

—James Coyle, the man who was shot by a man named Barber at Jackson's boarding house, has so far recovered as to be able to be out on the streets. He is looking well, considering that he is still carrying one of the bullets in his body.—Kane Republican.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday (Trinity Sunday) the services will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The lesson for Trinity Sunday will be on "God and Creation." The anthem will be "I am Alpha and Omega" by John Stainer.

—The trouble between W. H. Lewis, the glassblower of Bradford, and the representatives of L. A. 300, has been settled. Mr. Lewis has withdrawn his injunction proceedings and the L. A. 300 withdraws all charges against him and pays him for time lost and other damages.

—With its issue of last Friday the Port Allegany Reporter began the 27th year of its existence. We are pleased to note the evidence of prosperity indicated by the heavy advertising patronage of the Reporter and congratulate Editor Laymon on the very readable paper he is issuing.

—At the convention of the Women's Relief Corps and the ladies of the G. A. R., held in Gettysburg on Tuesday, Mrs. Helen S. Morrison of Smethport and Mrs. Martha Sherman of Bradford were elected as members of the board of directors of the Brookville Memorial home for the ensuing year.

—Scenery and properties are being removed from the opera house and the old building will soon be torn down. It is said that Mr. Wagner has secured the additional 30 feet of stage space desired, and he will let contract for the erection of the new playhouse immediately.—Bradford Era.

—Dr. J. C. Brown received quite a severe shaking up last Friday afternoon. He was driving down the Irish Hollow road when his horse fell throwing the doctor out of the buggy by the sudden stop. Dr. Brown's back was quite badly wrenched and he was confined to the house until Monday.

—At a tea given by Mrs. F. A. McCoy Monday, the engagement of her daughter, Miss Grace Emily, to Mr. Horace H. Redfield of this place was announced. The following ladies were present: Mrs. Mellville Gillette, Misses Jenette Hamlin, Agnes McCoy, Charlotte Bard, Helen Forest, Dora Keenan and Josie Holder.

—R. M. Whitney has decided to move his hub factory to Galeton, where he has purchased a tract of timber that will last him a lifetime. The factory is to be located in the midst of the timber land where the cost of getting out the logs will be very slight. The factory here will be shut down and the machinery moved to Galeton in a short time.—Olean Times.

—Postmaster Oberg has received from the Postoffice Department at Washington during the present week a letter notifying him that owing to the increase in the receipts of the postoffice at Mt. Jewett, as shown by the last returns his salary, after July 1st, will be increased from $1100 to $1400 annually. This is good news alike for Postmaster Oberg and the entire community. We are growing.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Marshall Keefer is playing with the DuBois ball team. In its account of the opening game at that place the Courier says: Keefer at first is a new man and from his work yesterday he will very likely make good the prediction of Captain Lee and be a fixture at first this season. He covers a lot of ground around his territory and he meets the ball nicely with his stick.

—The twenty-fifth anniversary number of the Bradford County Republican, published at Towanda, Pa., is at hand. It is a handsomely illustrated, clearly printed number and is altogether a credit to its publishers, McKee Bros. Long may it survive to battle for the glorious principles of Republicanism and may its publishers reap that financial reward so richly merited and so rarely accorded the newspaper man.

—Pink eye, a dangerous disease, has struck the county and horses in different parts of the county are afflicted with the ailment. It is a form of epizootic. The legs swell, the eyes become inflamed and there is running at the nostrils. It is often fatal to horses and owners dread it very much. So far there have been no fatal cases reported. The disease has afflicted horses in this and the Foster Brook valley and just now it prevails in the vicinity of Smethport.—Bradford Star.

—C. E. Carlson, employed as a lumberman near Mt. Jewett, met with an accident on Thursday afternoon which cost him his life. While engaged in his work a tree fell, striking him across the chest and abdomen, causing total obstruction. The injured man was brought to Kane Summit Hospital on Friday afternoon, and an operation performed which relieved him, but owing to the severe hemorrhages from the liver which had been ruptured, the man was unable to rally, and death ensued this morning at 6:30 o'clock.—Kane Republican.

—Miss Rose King has tendered her resignation as vice-principal of the high school and Miss Stella Tate, vice-principal of the Smethport schools has been elected in her place. The business was done at a meeting of the school board last Tuesday evening. Miss Tate is a sister of ex-County Commissioner J. H. Tate, and comes with the special endorsement of Superintendent Myers and Prof. Eckels. Miss King expects to enter college and while the patrons of the district regret the resignation of Miss King they not only feel that the resolution on her part to take a college course is good judgment, but feel that the lady who takes her place will give the same general satisfaction.—Port Allegany Press.

—The dance given by the Smethport Athletic club was a social and financial success. About $75 were cleared. Klingensmith's orchestra furnished excellent music and the supper furnished by the ladies could not be beaten. T. H. Purtle, manager, asked us to especially thank A. E. Stickles for dishes loaned and the ladies for their untiring efforts in making the dance and supper a success.

—Children's Day services will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday, June 10, at 10:30 a. m. A bright program will be presented. The ordinance of baptism will be administered to children. The offerings will be for the cause of education. In the evening at 8 o'clock the pastor will preach a sermon appropriate to the day. Subject: "The Most Excellent Knowledge." A cordial invitation is extended to young people.

—An Olean special of Tuesday says: S. S. Ramsey, a well known citizen of this place, died suddenly this morning of heart disease. He got on an O., R. C. & B. trolley car to go to Rock City, where he owns some oil wells. He had scarcely seated himself when he collapsed. He was carried into the Oak Cafe on Union street, but died before medical aid reached him. Mr. Ramsey was an ex-alderman of this place, a veteran of the war of the rebellion and a highly respected citizen.

—Saturday morning at about 2 o'clock three young men attempted to relieve Hong Chong and his brother, the Chinese laundrymen, of their hard earnings. They forced the door of the laundry in the basement of E. E. Heath's block and started to silence the Chinamen with a hatchet, at the same time demanding their money. The Chinamen vigorously protested both verbally and in actions and put up such a lively fight that the marauders were frightened off without plunder. One of the Chinamen received slight wounds on his head and face, while one of the would-be brigands had a finger severely bitten. Considerable effort is being made to capture the culprits.

Death's Doings.

MRS. ARNOLD SOUTHWICK

Sallie Young Southwick died at her home near East Smethport on Monday of this week at 8:15 a. m., of paralysis, in her 82nd year.

Mrs. Southwick and her husband, who died about 16 years ago, were among the pioneers of this county and up to the last eighteen months she was in perfect health. A little over a year ago she was stricken with paralysis and it was the fourth shock that caused her death.

Mrs. Southwick was a lady who endeared herself with all her neighbors and friends and her demise will be keenly felt by many. She is survived by one son, Samuel Southwick, and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Judith Pratt. The funeral was held from the church at Farmers Valley Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Dunbar officiating, and the remains were laid at rest in Smith cemetery.

WILLIAM CASKEY.

William Caskey of Kent Hollow died at his home Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock of heart trouble after a long and tedious illness, aged about 60 years.

The deceased had been a resident of this county ever since the early oil excitement and about 16 years ago moved to this borough, where he resided for a number of years. He then purchased a farm in Kent Hollow and resided there until removed by death.

Mr. Caskey was a soldier of the war of the rebellion and has been a member of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., for a number of years. He was a good and brave soldier and an honest man among men.

He leaves a wife, one son and two brothers to mourn his death. The funeral services will be held this afternoon under the direction of the G. A. R.

An Italian Fracas.

Saturday evening the Italians employed on the P., S. & N. railroad had a jollification at their headquarters near the Marvin street bridge. As is usual in Italian beer parties this one terminated in a free-for-all, hit-as-you-please scrap. During the melee John Fabiani was knocked senseless by a blow from a bludgeon in the hands of John Leo. It was thought at the time that Fabiani was killed and his assailant took to his heels followed by one Italian, sober enough to run, Sergeant George Fennerty and Jerome Niepting.

Then ensued a chase that made the recent Virginia man hunt seem tame in comparison. Up hill and down dale, across meadows and through woods, over brooks and hedges fled the affrighted Dago, his relentless pursuers close at his heels all the time, ever and anon spurring him on to greater effort by such encouraging cries as "shoot him!" "hang him!" Leo finally ran into the road near the poor farm where Ralph Verdon and John Lewis joined in the pursuit with a horse and buggy. This was the last straw and the Italian, by a superhuman effort gathering up his dragging tongue, ran into the poor house and telling Superintendent Ryan that he had killed a man begged his protection from the bloodthirsty (?) mob. Mr. Ryan locked the panting fugitive up and telephoned to Sheriff Clarke, who removed the "murderer" to the county jail.

In the meantime Fabiani had regained his senses and had the cut on his head dressed by Dr. Chadwick. He keenly enjoyed a recital of the chase and probably suffered less than his assailant.

A nol pros was granted at court this week and upon payment of costs Leo was released from custody.

A Burglary—Almost.

Late Saturday night Officer Bronk discovered the basement door of A. E. Stickles' store unlocked. Thinking that a burglary might be in progress he proceeded to investigate. Entering the door he quietly ascended the stairs to the store above and cautiously advanced toward the front doors. He discovered nothing at first, but in the darkness he felt the unseen presence and heard the breathing of some hidden person.

Suddenly he struck a match. Just as suddenly, like a jack-in-the-box, up popped the proprietor, Mr. Stickles, who had been asleep and was awakened by the lighting of the match. Until he discovered who the intruder was Mr. Stickles was frightened—too frightened to call for help although he strenuously endeavored to do so.

P. S.—The genial proprietor of the Racket store claims it was not fright, but the fact that he had removed his false teeth before lying down, which prevented his calling out. He also insinuates that the officer was somewhat startled when he made his unannounced appearance minus his teeth.

There will be a camp meeting held at Palmerville, Pa., one mile from Marvindale on the Shawmut railway, June 19 to July 1, 1900. All are invited to come and tent on the ground and enjoy the meetings. If you wish a tent notify John Daley, Marvindale, Pa., soon.

Fatal mistakes are made by those who do not heed the earliest symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble that often end in Bright's disease or diabetes. When Foley's Kidney Cure makes the kidneys well, how foolish it is to delay. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Have your window screens made to order. They are cheaper in the end, at HOLMES & GILFILLAN'S.

Criminal Court Report.

The June term of criminal court opened Monday at 2 p. m. and is the largest attended of any for some time. Judge Morrison is on the bench and W. F. Potter of Bradford is foreman of the grand jury.

In instructing the grand jury the court said that he had received complaints that drug stores were violating the liquor law in various ways and informed them that it was their duty to inform the court if they knew of any such places.

Subpoenas in divorce were awarded in the cases of Frank W. Strobe vs. Dora Strobe, Louise Bell vs. Boyd Bell and Mrs. Mary Dunn vs. Charles Dunn.

Decrees in divorce were filed in the cases of William Wordsworth vs. Maud Wordsworth and Mary L. Frisbee vs. Melvin T. Frisbee.

A nol pros was granted in the case of the Commonwealth vs. G. Lee and Commonwealth vs. Gust Anderson and the defendants were discharged.

A motion to revoke the appointment of an auditor was granted in the case of L. A. Fischer & Co. vs. Donaldson & Johnson.

In the case of Alice E. Slattery vs. The Supreme Tent of the K. O. T. M. a motion for leave to withdraw policy of insurance from the files was granted.

Willie Hawkins pleaded guilty in open court to the larceny of an overcoat. The court sentenced him to be taken to the reformatory at Huntington.

A motion was granted for leave to send up an indictment to the grand jury in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Peter Near.

The court appointed Willis M. Kincaid guardian of Ella P., Charles W., Cora M., Wilbona, Hiram G. and Marlette Platt.

In the cases of John Hewitt vs. Pittsburg, Shawmut and Northern Railroad company and John Donnelly vs. same the exceptions to report of viewers were dismissed.

The following cases were continued: Commonwealth vs. C. J. Carey, Commonwealth vs. Charles Earl Watson, Commonwealth vs. Harry Lindsey, Commonwealth vs. O. P. Coon.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. George Reed, incest, the jury failed to reach an agreement.

Commonwealth vs. Thomas Mack, burglary; jury returned verdict of guilty.

Motions for judgment were granted in the cases of Gowanda Agricultural Company vs. W. J. Rawson, and Platt, Bosher & Co. vs. D. L. Hewitt.

Use of Margery L. Hunt vs. T. S. Bennett. Suggestion of the death of the plaintiff filed and on motion the substitution was granted.

Will H. Lewis vs. Simon Burns et al. Affidavit and motion for special order of service on non-resident defendants and order of court thereon filed.

The petition for the dissolution of the B. N. McCoy Glass Works was granted.

Use of J. Genther & Sons vs. Hill & Slattery. Petition for rule on plaintiff for security of costs and order granting same filed.

An order of court was filed in the matter of the discharge of the executors in the estate of Mary McCollister, deceased.

A petition for a rule on the sheriff to pay money into court was filed in the case of William Hogencamp vs. Alva A. Bedell and Garrett L. Crouse.

Garrett L. Crouse vs. Alva A. Bedell et al. Answer of Garrett L. Crouse to the petition for the modification of the decree was filed.

The bond of Peter Hanson, guardian, was filed and approved by the court.

A nol pros was granted in the case of the Commonwealth vs. F. S. Thornton and A. Wainwright.

A motion to discharge the defendant was granted in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Delos Smith.

Commonwealth vs. Randolph Barbour, felonious assault with intent to kill. Jury returned verdict of guilty as indicted.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Joe Murphy, Tom Collins, Pat Sullivan, Chas. Jones, statutory burglary, defendants were adjudged not guilty and discharged.

Burg Chadwick was appointed guardian of Beulah Chambers.

Motion for discharge of William Doyle, charged with assault and battery, granted by the court.

As we go to press the jury is out in the case of Commonwealth vs. Frank Field, rape, and the case of the Commonwealth vs. Charles Colburn and Walter D. Knowlton, forgery, is on trial.

GRAND JURY FINDINGS

Commonwealth vs. George Reed, incest; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. William Hawkins, larceny; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Randolph Barbour, felonious assault with intent to kill; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Hezekiah Sissley, larceny; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. same, cruelty to animals; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Smith, indecent exposure; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Mayer, adultery; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Joe Murphy, Tom Collins, Mat Sullivan and Charles Jones, burglary; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Fields, rape; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Miller, assault and battery; not a true bill and prosecutor, Charles Coleman, pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. Goliath Stein, assault and battery; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Gorman, assault and battery, a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Mary Alford, maintaining a public nuisance; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Joe Ritchie, malicious mischief; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Peter Near, keeping a gambling place; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Delos Smith, robbery; not a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Colburn and Walter D. Knowlton, forgery; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Kinney, larceny; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Jennie Williams, keeping a bawdy house; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. same, selling liquor without licence; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Burt Healy, Andrew Bolton, Frank Costello, violation of sepulchres; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Michael Tobin, assault and battery; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. A. Pettis, false pretense; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. William Doyle, assault and battery; not a true bill and county pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Clarence Wheeler, assault and surety of the peace; not a true bill and prosecutor, E. Wiley, pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Chambers, assault and battery.

Commonwealth vs. Sam Kirk, assault and battery; not a true bill and prosecutrix, Mrs. C. A. True, pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. C. H. Williams, W. L. Calkins, Ed Nelson, violating election laws; not a true bill and prosecutor, James Doyle, pay costs.

Hamlin & Redfield have a fine display of chinaware in their window. Call on them for prices.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. W. P. Eckels is visiting Kane friends.

Sheriff W. B. Clarke was in Bradford Saturday.

T. H. Ryan had business in Bradford on Monday.

Dr. Conard Young of Geneva, N. Y., is visiting in town.

Thomas Quirk of West Virginia is visiting friends in town.

C. B. Goodrich of Lyons, N. Y., is a guest of Smethport relatives.

Chas. Phalon of Newerf was pleasantly called at this office yesterday.

Mrs. Otto J. Hamilton is visiting friends and relatives in Geneva, N. Y.

H. G. Hosak of Eldred was the guest of his brother, E. E., this week.

The Misses McMunn of Mt. Jewett were Smethport visitors yesterday.

F. S. Holmes of Coryville was a pleasant caller at this office on Monday.

Hon. A. B. Richmond of Mehlville was in attendance at court this week.

Don McKenzie, advance agent for the Rhoda Royal Shows, was in town over Sunday.

G. W. Weaver of Straight was an agreeable caller at this office Tuesday evening.

Commissioners Boardman and Hunsicker were in Bradford last Friday on business.

J. W. Baker of Coudersport was in town Saturday and was a pleasant caller at this office.

Miss Carrie Sorvatius returned Monday evening from a week's visit with friends in Buffalo.

Geo. Cale of Kiantone, N. Y., and John Dougherty of Hazelhurst were pleasant callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Cassey of Smethport is the guest of her son, George Stevens of East Olean.—Olean Times.

Mrs. A. B. Armstrong and Mrs. C. H. Gleason drove to Ceres last Friday for a few days' visit among friends.

Attorneys H. E. Shaffer E. L. Ryan, J. F. Mullin and R. J. Mackwen of Kane attended court this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Backus came up from Olean on Monday and are guests of his mother, Mrs. J. C. Backus.

A. D. Doyle left Monday for a visit to adjoining towns and cities. He is introducing the Backus Safety Check-Hook.

Miss Georgia Coly and Miss Griffin of Smethport were in Eldred visiting at the home of J. R. Shea, Wednesday.—Eldred Eagle.

Lawyers P. R. Cotter and J. R. Haughney of Eldred had business at court this week. Mr. Haughney visited the MINER on Monday.

C. C. Moses of Eldred was a pleasant caller yesterday. Mr. Moses, at the age of 84 years, is healthy and strong and a very interesting conversationalist.

Misses Helen Forrest and Jaughte Hamlin returned home from their studies in Washington, D. C., on Friday, accompanied by Mrs. John Forrest.

Attorneys S. W. Smith, Chas. W. Catlin and Nelson Rose of Port Allegany were in attendance at court this week. Mr. Catlin was a pleasant caller at this office on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Curtis left Thursday for Buffalo, where they will attend the commencement exercises of the graduating class of the Children's Hospital. Miss Emma Duntley is a member of the class.

The Window Glass Situation.

Kane Republican.

During the week that has just passed the wage committee of L. A. 300 and Messrs. McMullin, Given and Chambers of the American Window Glass Co., have signed the wage scale for the fire of 1900-1901, and with this act several surprises have been sprung by the combine, which may and may not work a great deal of harm to the independents.

With the settlement of the wage scale came the announcement that although the proposition to extend the fire until the first of July had been voted down by over 400 majority, it is given out that President Burns has said that he would order the men to continue working until the 1st of July. That the opinions of the workmen cut no figure when it comes to a point where the interests of the combine are at stake is plainly evident, as Mr. Burns has demonstrated on more than one occasion that he is in sympathy with the American Window Glass Co., and if any ruling of his will help them out of a tight place he is always ready to lend a hand.

Again with the settlement of the wage scale comes the announcement that the manufacturers will pay the snappers this fire and also that L. A. 300 had purchased a block of 500 shares of common stock of the American Window Glass Co. This latter intelligence was a surprise to many of the glass workers in this locality and until the true inwardness of the move had been made known it was hard to fathom. The facts of this transaction as near as can be learned are as follows: The block of stock was not purchased, but assigned to L. A. 300 by the American Window Glass Co., for the purpose of offsetting, if possible, the co-operative movement, which has become so annoying to the combine inasmuch as it takes many of their best workmen. Take as an illustration, the Independent plant of the Kane Window Glass Co., which will go into operation next fire, they will take all of one tank from Factory No. 5 of the combine, and in order to counterbalance the loss of so many men this stock was assigned. On the face of it this looks like a generous act on the part of the combine, but when it is taken into consideration that the members of L. A. 300 will receive no benefits until the stock reaches par, it can readily be seen that it will be some years, if ever, before any dividends will be declared.

It is also stated that in the settlement of the wage scale no provision had been made for the independents, but that the co-operative plants would be taken care of. If this be true, there are several pertinent questions which naturally crop up in the minds of all fair minded people, chief among which are: How long will the men allow their president to make secret agreements with a certain class of manufacturers? What right has he to throw obstacles in the way of the men working in any factory that pays the scale? Supposing he is successful in his efforts to drive the independent manufacturers out of the business, will the men be any better off? We think not, for if it was not for the fact that there are independent plants in operation on the price of glass would be where it was a year ago, and the workmen would be working four or five months in the year. These are matters that should be considered by the members of L. A. 300 and when the election of their president comes up next year.

Have you seen the new "Copenhagen" ware in pots, kettles and pans at HOLMES & GILFILLAN'S.

WANTED.—Men to cut pulp wood. T. H. Fraley, Cherry Creek, N. Y.

Bark spuds, axes, peavys and cross cut saws at HOLMES & GILFILLAN'S.

At Smethport, June 14.

Manager E. A. Sheeley of the Great Rhoda Royal Shows has succeeded in gathering around him a collection of features that certainly is the companion. Every act is a star in its respective line, and the name of each performer is the synonym of the profession. Exceptional is the list of names of some of the acting talent connected with the menagerie department. Joseph Berry and his very clever educated horses, which are exhibited somewhat after the manner of going through marches, drills, waltzes and dancing to the exquisite music of a fine band, are a high class act and one of the features of the entertainment. Professor Lee, the gentlemanly equestrian, and lovely wife in their wonderful act of bareback riding, are worthy of more than passing notice. Prof. Lee is the possessor of a number of medals and testimonials of merit, which he has received from the crowned heads of Europe, and is the only man in America who has ever received the gold medal of the Czar of Russia. Prof. Lee and his wife are also the proprietors of the Rhoda Royal Shows, and are to be congratulated on the success which has attended their efforts in the past. Their performance is one of the best in the show line, and is worthy of more than passing notice. Prof. Lee's trained dogs, ponies, mules and goats are also worthy of special mention. The clowns are a funny lot of fellows, and keep the audience in a roar of laughter from the time they enter the ring until they leave it. The trapeze performers, the wire walkers, the contortionists, the acrobats, the riders, the ground and lofty tumblers, the aerial artists, the leapers, the jugglers, the trick bicyclists, the trained animal exhibitors, the musicians, the ballet dancers, the pantomimists and the grand spectacular production of "Cinderella" are all worthy of special mention, but space will not permit us to do more than to say that they are all first class in their respective lines, and the performance as a whole is one of merit and worthy of the support of the public. The Rhoda Royal Shows will exhibit in Smethport on Saturday of this week, and as it is the only show that will visit this place this season, a large audience should greet them. The doors will be opened at 1 and 7 p. m. The doors will be opened an hour in advance of each performance. At 10 o'clock on the morning of the day of exhibition a grand parade will be given through the principal streets.

Farmers' Institutes.

The county board of farmers' institute managers will meet at the county commissioners' office on the second Tuesday of June, to arrange for the place where institutes are to be held this season. All of our people who desire institutes ought to attend this meeting and present their claims. This board is composed of the local members of the state board of agriculture and one representative from each county agricultural society, the Pomona grange and county Alliance. If you find that you cannot attend this meeting, address a letter with your request to the chairman of board of institute managers care of county commissioners. A suitable hall for the meeting ought to be provided free of charge, by the locality wishing the institute.

Would Not Suffer So Again for Fifty Times Its Price.

Last night with severe pains in my stomach. I never felt so badly in all my life. When I came down to work this morning I felt so weak I could hardly work. I went to Miller & McCurdy's drug store and they recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It worked like magic and one dose cured me all right. It certainly is the finest thing I ever used for stomach trouble. I shall not be without it in my home hereafter, for I should not care to endure the sufferings of last night again for fifty times the price.—Jos. H. Wilson, Paintman, Burgettstown, Washington Co., Pa. This remedy is for sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

McKinley's Latest Portrait.

A short time ago President McKinley sat for a photograph, which he has pronounced the best ever secured. A copy of this portrait, in colors, with fac-simile of the President's signature, on each picture, will be given free with every copy of the great Philadelphia Sunday Press next Sunday, June 10. It is a souvenir everyone is certain to prize, both because of its merits as a work of art and its timeliness, in view of the fact that McKinley is certain to be renominated at the Republican convention next week. The size of the picture is 24 by 30 inches, and every one will be perfect. The demand will be great, hence it will be well to order next Sunday Press early.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on said at first it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drug store and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one half of a 50 cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends.—J. A. BARCLAY, Erie, Pa. For sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Valuable Property For Sale.

Houses and lots centrally located in Smethport; terms moderate. Also store in the Reilly block for rent after May 22.
17-tf A. REILLY.

Musical Announcement.

Miss Rena Gallup announces that she will open a music studio at her home for the summer months. Pupils on piano or organ.

Daly & Lilgendahl have opened a carriage store on Mechanic street. If you contemplate purchasing a vehicle of any kind call their stock and get prices before purchasing elsewhere. 15-tf.

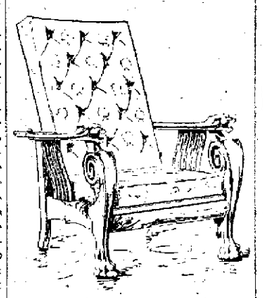
A fatal kidney is to neglect a backache or other sign of kidney trouble. Foley's Kidney Cure is a sure remedy for bright's disease, diabetes and gravel. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Dan Braisted is prepared to furnish his customers with all kinds of garden trees. Everything in this line fresh and green.

Screen doors and windows, all sizes and shapes at HOLMES & GILFILLAN'S.

The MINER and Tribune $1.25.

Sloan & Ervin.



The Big Main Street Store.

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16 Main St. Bradford, Pa.

Assignee's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT [illegible] of the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, by deed of voluntary assignment, dated the 22nd day of May, A. D. 1900, have assigned to Sheridan Green of Smethport in the county and state aforesaid, all of their estate and effects for the benefit of their creditors, as by the said deed of assignment, duly executed and recorded, will more fully appear. All persons indebted to the said assignors are requested to make payment to the undersigned assignee, without delay, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them for settlement.

SHERIDAN GREEN,
Assignee.

Smethport, Pa., May 25th, 1900.

Bell Brothers,

Olean, N. Y.

Half Price on Hosiery.

An Unusual Event.

Last week we bought two dozen ladies' fine cotton hosiery. We bought them at less than they were selling for. There are scarcely two pairs of them alike, some are in same patterns. Many fancy tops and black boots and tops. The goods are all very desirable styles, but few in quantity. Hence buy them Saturday of this week prices will be about half their value. Some of them are soiled, others are seconds, and some have never been taken out of the boxes, but it will puzzle you to distinguish between them. They will be arranged on tables in the center aisle, with sale ticket on every pair.

The lowest grade is 25c hose. Sale price 15c to 19c a pair.

The next grade is 39c hose. Sale price 25c to 29c pair.

The next grade is 50c hose. Sale price 35c, 39c and 42c a pair.

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25 dozen men's shirts, neck band and detached cuffs to match, made of the finest quality of madrass shirting, and no two styles alike. Made to sell at $1. Saturday 79c.

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Jennie Baxter, Journalist.

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not only ample resources, but also a master brain to direct them. Nations hesitate at nothing where their interests are concerned. It was to the interest of no other empire but England to deplete Austria at this moment, and see how complete her machinations are. No nation trusts another, and, if Austria had proof that England is at the bottom of this robbery, she dare not say anything because her war chest is empty. Then, again, she dare not allow either Germany or Russia to know how effectually she has been robbed, for no one can tell what either of these nations would do under the circumstances. The government dare not let even its own people know what has happened. It is a stroke of vengeance marvelous in its finality. Austria is crippled for years to come, unless she can find the stolen gold on her own territory."

The old lady had worked herself up into such a state of excitement during her recital that she did not notice that most of her companion visitors had taken their leave, and when the princess approached the two she arose with some trepidation.

"My dear princess," she said, "your tea has been so good and the company of your young compatriot has been so charming that I have done nothing but chatter, chatter, chatter away about things which should only be spoken of under one's breath, and now I must hurry away. May I venture to hope that you will honor me with your presence at one of my receptions when I send you a card?"

"I shall be delighted to do so," replied the princess, with that gracious condescension which became her so well.

The garrulous old lady was the last to take her leave, and when the princess was left alone with her guest she cried:

"Jennie, I have found out absolutely nothing! What have you discovered?"

"Everything," replied the girl, walking up and down the floor in excitement over the finding of such a bonanza of news.

"You don't tell me so! Now, do sit down and let me know the full particulars at once!"

When Jennie's exciting story was finished, she said:

"You see, this robbery explains why the premier did not follow up his war-

"My dear, every great nation has a war chest."

like speech. The police seem to think that England has had a hand in this robbery; but, of course, that is absurd."

"I am not so sure of that," replied the princess, lating, as she spoke, the Chicago point of view and forgetting for the moment her position among the aristocracy of Europe. "England takes most things it can get its hands on, and she is not too slow to pick up a gold mine here and there. So why should she hesitate when the gold is already minted for her?"

"It is too absurd for argument," continued Jennie calmly; "so we won't talk of that phase of the subject. I must get away to England instantly. Let us find out when the first train leaves."

"Nonsense!" protested the princess. "What do you need to go to England for? You have seen nothing of Vienna."

"Oh, I can see Vienna another time! I must get to England with this account of the robbery."

"Won't your paper pay for telegraphing such an important piece of news?"

"Oh, yes! There would be no difficulty about that, but I dare not trust either the post or the telegraph in a case like this. The police are on the watch."

"But couldn't you send it through by a code? My father used always to do his cabling by code. It saved a lot of money and also kept other people from knowing what his business was."

"I have a code, but I hesitate about trusting even to that."

"I'll tell you what we'll do," said the princess. "I want you to stay in Vienna."

"Oh, I will return," said Jennie. "I've only just had a taste of this delightful city. I'll come right back."

"I can't trust you to do anything of the kind. When you get to London, you will stay there. Now, here is what I propose, and it will have the additional advantage of saving your paper a day. We will run down together into Italy—to Venice, then you can take down your code and telegraph from there in perfect safety. When that is done, you will return here to Vienna with me. And another thing, you may be sure your editor will want you to stay right here on the spot, to let him know of any outcome of this sensational denouement."

"That isn't a bad idea," murmured Jennie. "How long will it take us to get to Venice?"

"I don't know, but I am sure it will save you hours compared with going to London. I shall get the exact time for you in a moment."

Jennie followed the suggestion of the princess, and together the two went to the ever entrancing city of Venice. By the time they reached there Jennie had her account written and coded. The long message was handed in at the telegraph office as soon as the two arrived in Venice. Jennie also sent the editor a private dispatch giving her address in Venice, and also telling him the reason for sending the telegram from Italy rather than from Austria or Germany. In the evening she received a reply from Mr. Hardwick. "This is magnificent," the telegram said. "I doubt if anything like it has ever been done before. We will startle the world tomorrow morning. Please return to Vienna, for, as you have discovered this much, I am perfectly certain that you will be able to unearth the robbers. Of course all the police and all the papers of Europe will be on the same scent, but I am sure that you will prove a match for the whole combination."

"Oh, dear!" cried Jennie, as she handed the message to her friend. "What a bothersome world this is! There is no finality about anything. One piece of work simply leads to another. Here I thought I had earned at least a good month's rest; but, instead of that, a further demand is made upon me. I am like the genii in fairy tales; no sooner is one apparently impossible task accomplished than another is set."

"But what a magnificent thing it would be if you could discover the robber or robbers!"

"Magnificent enough, yes; but that isn't to be done by inviting a lot of old women to tea, is it?"

"No; but we shall have to set our wits together in another direction. I tell you, Jennie, I know I have influence enough to have you made a member of the special police. Still I intend to introduce you as from America and say that you have made a specialty of solving mysteries? An appointment to the special police would allow you to have unrestricted entrance to the secret portion of the treasury building. You would see the rooms damaged by the explosion, and you would learn what others have discovered. With that knowledge we might then do something toward solving the problem."

"Madame la Princesse," cried Jennie enthusiastically, "you are inspired! The very thing. Let us get back to Vienna." And accordingly the two conspirators left Italy by the night train for Austria.

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Franklin's Frugality.

Mr. Fisher, in his biographical sketch, "The True Benjamin Franklin," tells a story to illustrate Franklin's frugality and method of acquiring property.

On the eastern shore of Maryland a young man called one evening on an old farmer to ask him how it was that he had become rich. "It is a long story," said the old man, "and while I am telling it we might as well save the candle," and he blew it out.

"You need not tell the story," said the youth. "I see."

Franklin's method of gaining wealth, as seen in his narrative of, how he and his wife lived together, was the one her ancestors practiced. "We kept no idle servants," he says. "Our table was plain and simple, our furniture of the cheapest. For instance, my breakfast was for a long time bread and milk—no tea—and I ate out of a twopenny earthen porringer with a pewter spoon. But mark how luxury will enter families and make a progress in spite of principle.

"Being called one morning to breakfast, I found it in a china bowl with a spoon of silver! They had been bought for me without my knowledge by my wife and had cost her the enormous sum of three and twenty shillings, for which she had no other excuse or apology to make but that she thought her husband deserved a silver spoon and china bowl as well as any of his neighbors."

A Day's Talk.

Few of us probably ever think seriously about the amount of talking we do in a day and how large a factor mere talk is in the life of the world for both good and evil. It has been estimated that a public speaker utters in one hour, on an average, what, if printed, would occupy 15 octavo pages. Ordinary conversation is even more prolific.

Let us suppose, says The Winonian, that all the talk of one day be estimated as equivalent to four hours' consecutive speaking. In a single week the amount would make what, if printed, would be an octavo of 320 pages. In a year a man would complete 52 such volumes, and in 30 years he would have accumulated a library of 1,560 volumes of his own talk. What value would most of us place on such a library? How many of us could endure to read it? How many would feel satisfied to have such books go on the market?

It is related of Dean Swift that at an evening party, on one occasion, he retired to a corner of the room and commenced noting down the talk of the company. Being asked what he was doing, he produced a verbatim report of the conversation which had just taken place. Most of the speakers, it is added, felt no small humiliation over the superficial and trifling character of their utterances when confronted with them.

The Trick In Omelet Making.

The omelet is the supposed "impossible" in the average kitchen, when in reality it is but a moments' work which any ordinary cook can accomplish. And once a simple omelet is achieved there is no end to the pretty and toothsome variations easily within one's skill. In the first place, omelets need not be "tossed," but just handled calmly and practically, and, in the second place, the puffy omelet is the "soufflé," by far inferior to what might be called the "true omelet," which is not puffy at all nor subject to falling.

The one point in omelet making which must be imperatively observed regards the pan. It is not at all necessary to buy a regular omelet pan, as a smooth, rather heavy, medium sized spider answers the purpose equally well. But it must be kept sacred to omelets—absolutely never appropriated to other uses. It must never be washed, but cleaned by salt and brisk rubbing. Before using melt a little lard in it, drain it off and rub out well with a dry cloth until thoroughly clean and shining smooth. It is not too much to say that a proper pan is two-thirds of the battle in successful omelet making.

Never make an omelet for several persons at once, individual ones being both more satisfactory and more easily managed.—Ella Morris Kershaw in Woman's Home Companion.

An Awkward Blaze.

"It was this way," said the clerk. "A young lady came in and stood over by the State street door, waiting for somebody, I suppose. The plumes of her hat curled down behind and the tip of a plume touched the flame in the cigar lighter over the counter. Next moments the hat was aflame, women were rushing for the door and the girl who was on fire was shrieking like an Indian.

"Rudy, the soda clerk, grabbed a seltzer bottle and let go at the hat just as big Martini, the policeman, rushed in and tried to wrench the hat from the girl's head. Rudy did the best he could, but he hadn't calculated the range. He hit Martini in the eye, the girl in the nose and me in the ear. The hat went to the floor and Martini fought the seltzer till the supply ran out.

"Nobody was hurt, but the girl acted as though she was irritated. Really, it was only a trifling accident, and Rudy will be in training next time with a bigger bottle."—Chicago News.

Brazil Diamonds.

It is not generally remembered that Brazil was at one time the most important diamond-producing country in the world. Between 1772 and 1812 1,354,700 carats were taken out by the "Real Extraccao." Since that day mining has been carried on exclusively by private individuals and mostly on a small scale. The total production of Brazil up to 1880 is estimated by M. Gorceix at 2½ tons. It is impossible to form anything like an accurate estimate of the present production, but it is probably about 40,000 carats a year, including the Bahia diamond fields.

Musical Exotism.

A musician died, and his sleeping soul waited at the gate.

Then said the angel, "Has this man sinned?"

"Yes," answered the voices of the neighbors. "He has played his own works all day."

"What shall be his punishment?" asked the angel.

"Let him hear these works forever!" cried the voices.

So the soul was awakened in hell by the chanting of its own music.

"This must be heaven!" it said.—London Academy.

Very Aggravating.

The 5-year-old Elizabeth was exceedingly busy the other morning when her father interrupted her play and slipped up: "It is too aggravating to have a man come and kiss you when you are trying to hold a shawl. Really, it is too aggravating."

Men may differ on politics, religion or finance, but all who have tried Emmer Salve are agreed as to its worth for cuts, burns, sores, piles and skin diseases. It's the most healing medicine in the world. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Egyptian Chicken Factories.

In his volume on "Present Day Egypt" Frederick Penfield thus describes one of the interesting sights in the neighborhood of the pyramids, the incubators in the native villages: "It will be found," he says, "that each incubator is constructed of sun dried bricks and so arranged internally that the eggs, about 1 in mid succession, ovens on trays enclosed with cut straw, are consecutively, under the attendant's eyes. No scientific apparatus is employed by this man, not even a thermometer. He knows from experience and his own feeling how much heat is needed, and he systematically turns the eggs several times a day until they are developed into downy chicks.

"These hatching establishments exist throughout middle and upper Egypt, and in a season large quantities of chickens find their way to the world's great crowing to the scrawny, unattractive fowls. The industry is in the hands of a class that seems constitutionally to look upon the question of a chicken's maternity as ridiculing that parentage to the hen laying the egg.

"The incubator is a feature modified only and in respect to the fitting the 'setting' in just with Egyptian hens. The keepers of the incubators have a system of trade with peasant farmers by which eggs are purchased outright or six live chickens given in exchange for a dozen fresh eggs."

Depth in the Workmen.

It was in a certain store in Fifth avenue, and the dealer was showing gilded clocks and cathedrals to a customer. Pointing to one particularly handsome set, he said, "That is worth $250." Pointing to another of similar pattern, but not so handsome, he said, "That is worth $900."

"But the other one is better," said the customer.

"Well, it's handsomer," said the dealer, "but the chief value of this one depending to the good affairs is in the gilding. It was gilded by the mercury process which is now forbidden by law almost everywhere. The other one was treated with the electroplating process."

"Well, it's handsomer," said the customer. "Is it as durable? If it is, why should I pay $250 more?"

"It is practically as durable, and it is handsomer," said the dealer. "But you can duplicate it, and you can't duplicate the other. The mercury process of gilding was death to the workmen who engaged in it. They inhaled the fumes of the mercury, and in the end it killed them, and it wasn't long doing it, either."

"I'll take the mercury one," said the customer, "but the other is handsomer."—New York Sun.

The Cossacks of the Don.

The Don Cossacks are the finest looking race of men ever seen. Kingly in their carriage, tall and slender, lithe and graceful, their untamed spirit visible in every motion, their bearing is that of an unconquered people. Used as a living barrier against the Tartar invasions of Russia, they were never conquered. Living in what they call camps, each with his horse and gun, they are always ready to move in response to the emperor's call.

Their costume is a long, tight fitting coat reaching to the knee, having loose sleeves and a small, sparkling collar and with a row of ammunition pockets across the breast. The colored belt which encircles the Cossack's slender waist bristles with ornamented knives, daggers and pistols. Soft, high boots without heels and a great lamb's wool cap, with a little touch of color for the soft crown, and then the burka or long cape of hairy felt which they seem to wear in all sorts of weather complete the costume. These burkas appear to be worn on the theory that what keeps out the cold keeps out the heat. Anyway, these long black or white garments protect horse and rider equally from the rain and cold.—Self Culture.

His One Suggestion.

"Furthermore, John Henry Mocker," said Mrs. Mocker, who was standing in front of the looking glass and putting the finishing touches to her toilet, "I want you to take notice that I am perfectly capable of getting ready for church without any prompting from you, and you can march and look at your watch as much as you please—it won't hurry me a single second. Do you clearly understand that?"

"Yes, my dear," mildly replied Mr. Mocker, "though I think I could understand it a little better if you didn't have your mouth quite so full of hairpins."—Chicago Tribune.

A Probable Result.

"If people were only compelled to practice what they preach," sighed the theorist.

"What good would that do?" demanded the practical man.

"It would make the world better, wouldn't it?"

"Oh, I don't know. I'm inclined to think that whatever changes we noticed would be in the preaching rather than in the practice."—Chicago Post.

His Shots.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "I want you to be more careful about the use of firearms."

"Why, I haven't—"

"Charley, dear," she proceeded, with sweet severity, "you mustn't try to deceive me. I heard you telling yesterday about how you fell down on a long shot. If you must go in for such things, please get a gun that won't kick."—Washington Star.

Due to Ignorance.

"He thinks he's famous."

"Well, he never was much of a man for despising himself."

"What has that to do with it?"

"Why, he probably never has consulted the dictionary and learned the difference between fame and notoriety."—Chicago Post.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain Cough Remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, long colds and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction, and I feel grandly inclined to thank the manufacturers for their energy and wish them to please accept my thanks.—Rev. Silas Mc-Cray, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

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Appropriate.

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The First Umbrella.

To prove at what [illegible] India was made to [illegible] Indian text book [illegible] Brahmins [illegible] Vishnu [illegible] Vishnu [illegible] Vishnu